

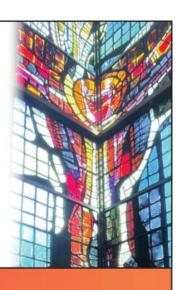
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#### The Third Sunday of Easter

"With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him..."

- Luke 24:31



Adults, 21 and older, involved in the different organizations, committees, councils, boards, and ministries of our parish are invited to our

# Ministry Appreciation



# Crawfish Boil



Friday, May 3, 2024, at 6 PM in the Parish Activity Center

Join Fr. Mike and the Parish Staff as we say THANK YOU to the many generous people who have worked together in making St. Alphonsus the wonderful parish that it is!

For those allergic to crawfish, an alternative meal will be available. Let us know when you call if an alternative meal is needed.

If you can be with us, please RSVP by calling the Church Office at 261-4650 or signing up online at alphonsus.org by April 26, 2024.



Childcare will be provided for children ages 2-10. RSVP with the number of children by April 26, 2024.



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### PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR: APRIL 13-21, 2024

Saturday 9:30 AM Corpus Christi Prayer - S.J.

4:00 PM Vigil Mass

K.C. Quarterly Communion

**Sunday** Third Sunday of Easter

8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM Masses

Coffee & Donuts after 8 & 10 AM Masses - S.F.

10:00 AM Adaptive Classes - PAC 10:15 AM RCIC - S.J.

10:15 AM Learning Group - All rooms 4:00 PM M.S. Youth - Lighthouse

5:30 PM T.O.T. - PAC

6:30 PM H.S. Youth - Lighthouse

Monday 8:30 AM Daily Mass

6:30 PM Scouts Game Night - PAC
6:30 PM Scouts - Lighthouse
6:30 PM Scouts Parents - S.J.
6:30 PM Cub Scouts - PAC Rooms

6:30 PM School Board - S.G.

Tuesday 8:30 AM Daily Mass & Novena

10:00 AM SAS Finance - S.G. 6:30 PM Grief Support - S.C. 6:30 PM Men's Scripture - C.R.

Wednesday 8:30 AM Communion Service

12:00 PM HIVE Committee - S.F.
5:30 PM Bell Choir - C.R.
6:00 PM No Greater Love - S.C.
6:30 PM King's Men - S.F. C
7:00 PM Chancel Choir - C.R.

Thursday 8:30 AM Daily Mass & Rosary

6:30 PM RCIA Mystogogy - S.F. C 7:00 PM Confirmation - Church Reception to follow - S.F.

Friday 8:30 AM School Mass Saturday 4:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday Fourth Sunday of Easter

8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM Masses

8 AM - 2 PM Blood Drive - S.F. 10:00 AM Adaptive Classes - PAC

10:15 AM RCIC - S.J.

10:15 AM Learning Group - All rooms 4:00 PM M.S. Youth - Lighthouse 6:30 PM H.S. Youth - Lighthouse

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish celebrates the living waters of Christ by nourishing our Catholic community spiritually and academically so that Christ may be known in our world.

#### **WORSHIP**

#### Readings for the Week - April 14-21

**Sunday**: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48 **Monday**: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29 **Tuesday**: Acts 7:51-8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 & 21ab;

Jn 6:30-35

**Wednesday**: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; Jn 6:35-40 **Thursday**: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:51; Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

**Saturday**: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Jn 6:60-69 **Sunday**: Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2;

Jn 10:11-18

Flowers in the church on April 13-14 are in memory of Elizabeth Blake in honor of her death by Francine Blake

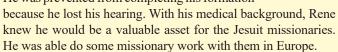
#### **April is Devoted to the Holy Eucharist**

This month is a perfect time for attending Eucharistic Adoration. While you're there, you can speak to Jesus and tell him all that comes into your mind, read the Bible, pray for those who have hurt you, sit quietly and just BE. Try listening for His voice.

## Featured Saint of the Week Rene Goupil (1608–1642) Feast Day: 10/19

Rene Goupil was born in Anjou, France. He trained to become a surgeon before realizing he would rather the religious life.

His first step toward religious life was to enter the novitiate for the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits). He was prevented from completing his formation



In 1640 he volunteered to join 40 other people on a mission to the New World. The group included several Huron chiefs and Jesuit priest, Fr. Isaac Joques. They worked in what would become Canada and the future upstate New York. His initial work was in a Canadian hospital providing wound care and blood-letting.

In 1642 the entire group of missionaries were traveling from Canada to New York. Several Indian tribes of the area were at war, and one of those tribes captured the entire group. They were held captive under Indian control.

True to form while in captivity, Rene continued to evangelize. He was seen teaching a Mohawk boy the sign of the cross. Within hours he was tortuously killed.

Before being martyred, Rene professed religious vows as a Jesuit lay brother before Fr. Joques, who also gave Rene absolution before he died.

St. Rene was the first of eight North American martyrs to receive the Crown of Martyrdom, and the first of those martyrs to be canonized.

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Weekend Masses Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:00 PM



#### **Live Stream**

Sunday 10:00 AM on Facebook & YouTube

#### **Daily Masses**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 AM

Novena on Tuesday 8:30 AM

Communion Service on Wednesdays at 8:30 AM

#### **Holy Day Masses**

As Announced

#### **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

For children kindergarten through second grade.

#### **SACRAMENTS & RESOURCES**

#### **Baptism**

Contact Margaret Garza at the Parish Office in the early months of pregnancy for dates and preparation requirements.

#### **Reconciliation**

Saturday 3:00 PM and by appointment

#### **Christian Initiation of Adults**

If interested in becoming Catholic and want more information on the process, call the Formation Office at 225-261-4644.

#### **Marriage**

Contact Sara Puissegur at the Parish Office six months to one year prior to projected wedding date for information concerning preparation programs.

#### **Anointing of the Sick**

You can receive this sacrament during a serious illness, before a major surgery, or for spiritual and mental healing. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

#### **Funerals**

Contact Margaret Garza at the Parish Office for arrangement information.

#### **Formed**

Go to formed.org, find St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish, and enjoy access to this free online Catholic gateway.

#### **Prayer Line**

Beverly Heil 225-772-4278 Gloria Jones 225-337-8929

#### **OUTREACH**

#### **Serving Our Country**

If you know someone serving in the military, please call the Church Office at 261-4650, and let us know their information.

**ARMY:** Major Chad A. Alford, Warrant Officer Jody K. Hunt, Capt. Brian C. Greco, Sergeant Charles N. Garner, Lt. Col. Keith Madere, Brian D. Duvic, Chief Warrant Officer Ryan Martin, PFC Jacob Fontenot, SPC Kory A. Nijoka, SPC Quillan McMillan, SPC Nathan Casselberry

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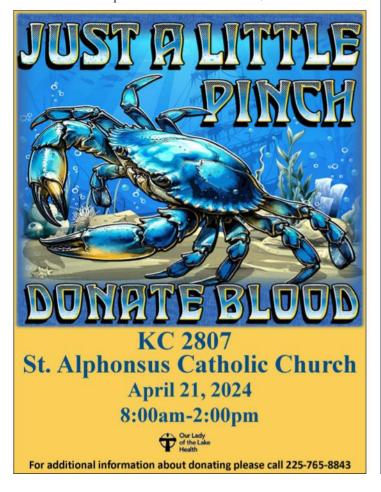
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**U.S. MARINE CORPS:** Major Blaine Ballard, Tyler Datz, Eric Vlahos, Lance Corp. Mahala Hausse

**U.S. COAST GUARD**: EM2 Dylan Lirette, MK3 Kobe Naquin

#### **Blood Drive**

All blood donors on Sunday, April 21 will receive a free plate of Shrimp Sauce Piquant prepared by Knights of Columbus Council #2807. Additional plates will be available for \$10 each.



#### **Rest in Peace**

**Stephen Bonfanti** - Husband of Susan Bonfanti. Father of Stephanie & Christina Bonfanti.





See personal stories at www.bcbsla.com/TooRisky

#### **Pray for the Sick**

Central, LA

Please note: Names are removed after eight weeks.

Colleen Stanton, Lynn Bridges, Lucky Ross, Melise Efferson, Angelo Silvio, Christopher Silvio, Sarah & Baby Guidry, Jeannine Cockerham, Chris Efferson, Jackie Goudeau, Jeanette Felps, Al Felps, Amanda Puissegur, Kevin Nicosia, David Lonibos, Joy Lonibos, Glenda Bringol, Jill Bueche, Jan Bankston, Harrison Simpson, Cathey Chustz, Ronnie Kaiser, Jack and Phyllis Achord, Barry Woods, Jan DeFreitas, Vance & Olivia Thomas, Matthew Chambers, Ryan Babin, Victor Vidaurre, Andy Juneau, Amee Juneau Bordelon, Marcella Corrick, Carson Felterman, Brett Crochet, Karen Rabalais, Lyndsey Quirk Neyland, Ben Guillory, Leslie F. Smith, Jason Lasseigne, Jennifer McMillan, Phyllis Rambo, Tiger Holt, Pat Matthews, Sharon Leod, Jaycee Richard, Gary Saucier, Alexander Landry, Sally Stears, Monica Kelly, Devin Mounce, Chris Bringol, Daniel Guerin, Janice Jeansonne, Datz Family, Schittone Family, Catherine Willis, Lynette Shaffett, Larry Bueche, Ashley Smith, Chris Dickerson, Jackie Scardina, Fisk Morris, Mollea Hood, Michael Morales, Theresa Ognibene, John Larkin, Briggs Elliser, Anita Bueche, Jamie Samson, Louis Lamar Bordelon, Kathy Madere, Krystal Feltman, Melanie Way, Sandy Dares, Ashlynn Ferguson, Carolyn Rogillio, Patsy York, Angie Welsh, Kenny Miller, Lynette Lemoine, Chris Hobkirk, Patrick Bourgeois, Holly Hart, Jeff Ferguson, Nicholas LaCroix, Patsy Sagona, Dammers Family, Debbie Mouton, Marion Robillard, Ron Dodson, John Nicosia, Keira Boone, Stevie Calverley, Billy Stears, Luke Allen, Blanche Hoover, Marlene Ortego, Gwen Moore, Claudia Mouton, Jackie Pina, Ashley Nix, Kelli Campo LaCroix, Donna Hebert, Bill Witt, Priscilla Perez, Charlotte St. Romain, Brenda Lovett, Johnny Graves, John Desselle, Mary Delaney

### **FORMATION**

#### **Learning Group**

Learning Group session for April are **Sunday**, **April 14** and **April 21**, **2024**. If your child has missed a class, please contact their catechist to get make-up work. All Make-up work is due no later than May 1<sup>st</sup> for your child to receive credit.

#### **Confirmation**

The date for Confirmation is **Thursday**, **April 18**, **2024**, at 7 PM Mass in the Church. All candidates are to be in the St. Francis Room no later than 6:15 PM to meet with the Bishop before the Sacrament of Confirmation. Sponsors are asked to go to the Church and be seated in their assigned seat by 6:30 PM.

#### Coffee Break

Friday, April 12 in the St. Francis Room Social begins at 9:15 AM.

Join us as we continue to learn about the Good News of the Holy Spirit.



## YOUTH NIGHT RPRIL 14

- 4:00-5:30 PM Middle School
  - (Doors open at 3:45/ Please pick up by 5:35)
- 6:30-8:00 PM High School
  - (Doors open at 6:15/ Please pick up by 8:10)

High schoolers <u>cannot</u> attend middle school youth night.
Middle schoolers <u>cannot</u> attend high school youth night.



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## ST. ALPHONSUS THEOLOGY ON TAP

The Prodigal Come Home: A Story of the Father's Mercy

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April 2024

St. Alphonsus Parish Activity Center

DINNER AT 5:30 PM SPEAKER TO BEGIN AT 6:00 PM NURSERY PROVIDED. RSVP AT ALPHONSUS.ORG.

#### **Purchase 2024 Festival Mega Bands Online!**

It's time to purchase your weekend Mega Band for the upcoming Festival of Two Rivers! The Mega Band will give you unlimited rides for the entire weekend!

Parent bands and session arms bands can be purchased at the Festival. Choose St. Alphonsus Festival of Two Rivers when purchasing. Save your confirmation email to present it for arm band pick-up at the start of the Festival.

Go to <a href="https://amusement.magicmoneyllc.com/MagicMoney\_Web/ETicket/UpcomingEvents">https://amusement.magicmoneyllc.com/MagicMoney\_Web/ETicket/UpcomingEvents</a> or go through the link on the homepage of www.alphonsus.org.



#### 2024 Festival T-shirts

Please pre-order your T-shirts online through the church website www.alphonsus.org or via the paper order form by April 12, 2024. Checks should be made payable to St. Alphonsus Church Fair.

Note: Youth Medium (10-12) size is sold out.

## Festival of Two Rivers Volunteers Needed! Sign Up Online Now!

WE NEED YOU! The Festival of Two Rivers is not possible without the help of hundreds of volunteers working the various booths. Sign-ups are now live for this year's Festival. We encourage you to sign-up for a shift or two. The sign-ups below are for the drink booths, plants booth, armband booth, and the festival store. If you wish to volunteer to work in one of the food booths, please reach out to the individual booth chairs. You can email Kyle Cutrer at kylemcutrer@gmail.com with any questions.

#### **Drink Booths:**

Friday: <a href="https://stalphonsuscatholic.flocknote.com/signup/161532">https://stalphonsuscatholic.flocknote.com/signup/161532</a>
Saturday: <a href="https://stalphonsuscatholic.flocknote.com/signup/161534">https://stalphonsuscatholic.flocknote.com/signup/161534</a>
Sunday: <a href="https://stalphonsuscatholic.flocknote.com/signup/161535">https://stalphonsuscatholic.flocknote.com/signup/161534</a>

#### **Plants and Festival Store:**

Friday: https://stalphonsuscatholic.flocknote.com/signup/161548
Saturday: https://stalphonsuscatholic.flocknote.com/signup/161547
Sunday: https://stalphonsuscatholic.flocknote.com/signup/161549

#### **Armband Distribution:**

Friday: https://stalphonsuscatholic.flocknote.com/signup/161550 Saturday: https://stalphonsuscatholic.flocknote.com/signup/161554

All sign-up links can be found on the St. Alphonsus Church Facebook page and the church website www.alphonsus.org.



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#### 2024 Graduate Names

If you or someone you know is graduating from high school or college and you would like their name to run in our bulletin, please call the Church Office at 261-4650 and let us know the graduate's name, school, and degree by Thursday, May 16, 2024. Names will appear on the bulletin cover on Sunday, May 26, 2024.



#### **ADMINISTRATION**

#### **Gifts of Stewardship**

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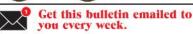
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